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October 16, 2007

LETTER OF APPEAL – CC Docket N. 96-45

Federal Communications Commission
Office of the Secretary
445 12th St SW
Room TW-A3255
Washington, DC 20554

Dear FCC:

- FCC Form 499-A
- 499 Filer ID: 819516
- Legal reporting Name: Essen Communications Corporation
- Contact person: Marty Essen, 1572 Blue Lupine Lane, Victor, MT 59876. Phone: (406) 642-3333, FAX (406) 642-6373, e-mail: ecc@montana.com

Attached is a Letter of Appeal that I sent to the USAC on June 26, 2007. On October 12, 2007, the USAC rejected my appeal. I am therefore escalating my appeal to your office.

Here are the facts:

On April 11, 2007 I received the package from USAC for Form 499A. The form had a due date of April 2, 2007. I promptly completed Form 499A and returned it via two-day Priority Mail the next day.

On June 25, 2007 I received a bill from the North American Numbering Plan for \$25.00 in actual amount due plus a \$100.00 late filing fee. My late filing fee was four times larger than my actual bill!

On June 26, 2007 the USAC informed me that I will receive late filing fee charges from each of the four agencies that bill from 499A!

This is incredibly unfair. When I called the USAC about this, I was told, "Yes the forms were sent out late. But they are only sent as a courtesy."

In response to the USAC, I say:

- 1) No one had told me the forms were only sent out "as a courtesy."
- 2) I have grown to trust that the forms would arrive on time and based my payments on the forms. The USAC had set a precedent.

I run a small company that struggles to get by. It is extremely heartless and unfair that I be fined multiple, excessive fees for a mistake that was caused by the USAC. WAIVER REQUEST: Please correct this injustice and waive the late fees I was charged.

Sincerely yours,

Marty Essen

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On April 11, 2007 I received the package from USAC for Form 499A. The form had a due date of April 2, 2007. I promptly completed Form 499A and returned it via two-day Priority Mail the next day.

Yesterday I received a bill from the North American Numbering Plan for \$25.00 in actual amount due plus a \$100.00 late filing fee. My late filing fee was four times larger than my actual bill!

I was also informed that I will receive late filing fee charges from each of the four agencies that bill from 499A!

This is incredibly unfair. When I called the USAC about this, I was told, "Yes the forms were sent out late. But they are only sent as a courtesy."

In response to the above, I say:

- 1) No one had told me the forms were only sent out "as a courtesy."
- 2) I have grown to trust that the forms would arrive on time. The USAC had set a precedent.

I run a small company that struggles to get by. It is extremely heartless and unfair that I be fined multiple, excessive fees for a mistake that was caused by the USAC. Please make the necessary adjustments to reverse this injustice.

Sincerely yours,



Marty Essen